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Sports Park DEIR  
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Dear Angela,

We are a group of landscape architecture students who attend Cal-Poly Pomona. We are writing to you in regard to the proposed DEIR sports park scheduled for the parcel of land located at the intersection of Spring St. and Orange Ave. in the City of Long Beach.

This redevelopment plan came to our attention as we were surveying the city to determine the local issues of Long Beach and to look for a project site that would add to the quality of life in Long Beach.

This site caught our attention due to the historic gas compressor building and cooling towers. We had the good fortune to have Julie Bargmann of D.I.R.T. studio as a guest speaker at our college. She specializes in projects worldwide which revitalize industrial sites. It is her work which enabled us to see beyond what presently exists on this site.

Our team consists of both undergraduate and graduate landscape architecture students. We believe there may be a better use for this parcel than the proposed sports park plan.

We are focused on a project solution which would utilize the site in a multi-use way. Although we are in the process of designing this site, we are considering integrating areas of ball fields, more typical public park space, a historic "heritage village" which would showcase examples of local historic architecture and industrial ties, a Best Management Practice (BMP) constructed wetland, and multi-use commercial buildings.

Although we represent an "academic only" study of the site, we would be pleased to share our vision with the City of Long Beach. Our group sees many elements related to the cultural and industrial history of Long Beach in conjunction with this parcel and feel there are design solutions which could utilize these aspects.

It is our understanding the City of Long Beach and the Department of Landscape Architecture at Cal -Poly Pomona have a positive working relationship.

We would like to cordially invite you to a presentation of this project at the end of our academic quarter in mid-March, 2005.

Sincerely,

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*Dennis J. McIntosh*  
*Lighter Cramer*  
*John Johnson*  
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(Students of 302L-04, project studio "Regenerating Long Beach")

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## **STUDENTS OF 302L-04, PROJECT STUDIO “REGENERATING LONG BEACH”**

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This letter is an invitation to City staff to attend a student presentation about an alternative development scenario for the project site. The comment does not contain any substantive statements or questions about the Draft EIR or the analysis therein. Therefore, no further response is necessary.